vacant posts and how many Non-Graduate Acting Sub-Registrars are working in the Department since 1948?

A.—**Hon'ble Sri H. SIDDAIYA** (Minister for Revenue and Excise).—

(*a*) Rs. 60—5—90/6—150.

(*b*) There are no posts of I Division Clerks in the Sub-Registry Offices. There are only II Division Clerks' posts in the Sub-Registry Offices in grade Rs. 40—2—50/E. B. 3—80.

(*c*) The status of a Sub-Registrar is different from the status of a I Division Clerk. The Sub-Registrar is an administrative officer in charge of an independent office (Sub-Registry Office). Besides registration work, the Sub-Registrar is also the Registrar of Money Lenders, and in some places, Secretary of the Land Mortgage Bank, Lock-up Officer and Chairman of the Bench Court. He is also empowered to administer oaths and to issue certificates in connection with the declaration of age.

(*d*) It was considered unnecessary to show their names in the Civil List.

(*e*) 39.

(*f*) 31 Graduates.

Since 1948, three Non-Graduates are acting as Sub-Registrars.

Protest against Levy of Octroi on Copra and Cocoanut by Tiptur Municipality.

Q.—20. **Sri C. H. LINGADEVARU** (Tumkur District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) how long has the Tiptur Municipality been levying octroi duty on copra and cocoanut;

(*b*) whether there was any protest against this levy from the raiyat population of Tiptur, Chiknayakanahalli and Turuvekere taluks;

(*c*) whether the collection of this duty was suspended temporarily ;

(*d*) when it was finally approved by Government?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri R. CHENNIGA-RAMIAH** (Minister for Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) Since June 1949.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) It was approved in January 1950 with a reduction in the rate considered necessary in the public interest.

Hardships of Chicknaikanhalli People for want of Railway facilities for transport of Goods.

Q.—21. **Sri C. H. LINGADEVARU** (Tumkur District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether several representations have been received from the people of Chikanayakanhalli Municipality stating that hardships for want of railway facilities for transporting goods and requesting the establishment of an out-agency at Chiknayakanahalli;

(*b*) what action has been taken in the matter to meet the genuine hardships of the people?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri H. C. DASAPPA** (Minister for Finance and Industries).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Request for Power Supply to Hallahalli.

Q.—29. **Sri D. M. SIDDIAH** (Mysore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of villages in Nanjangud Taluk that have been supplied with electricity during the past three years;

(*b*) how often the Hallahalli people (Nanjangud Taluk) made representations to Government for power?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri K. T. BHASHYAM** (Minister for Law and Labour) —

(*a*) Nil. (There are ten villages electrified in Nanjangud up-to-date).

(*b*) Very frequently.